NEW PUBLICATIONS.

In his "Book of the Parliament" Mr. Macdonagh does in large what every clever London correspondent does in little; he gives the pictresque aspects of British Parliamentary life. He points out and explains such things as would interest the man in the visitors' gallery, the young Parliamentary reporter on the lookout or fresh copy, and the new member, uncertain of himself, as he watches in his first session the etiquette and acts of legislation. The cereonial of the two houses, at times quaint and brilliant, at times quaint and staid, but oftener to the uninformed eye the counterfeit presentment of informality and negligence, he makes intelligible and interesting. Even the ordinary business he so embellishes with s of its characteristically British vioitions and exceptions that he imparts to it picturesqueness of association and tradition. the proprieties and amenities of the Cabinet meetings and the activities of the canvass and ts Hogarthian accessories. He takes the aspirng politician through his career from his nursf his first constituency to his place as a unior member of Her Majesty's Ministry. And on all these matters his book is a storehouse of gossip, collected from the lobbies of the house, the files of the newspapers and the political

biographies of the last one hundred and fifty

But Mr. Macdonagh's method can best represented by quotations. In the days of Fox and Sheridan and, indeed, in those of Peel and Palmerston, as well, the various devices in for corrupting the electors gave a piquancy to the canvass which has been lost for the most part in these days of comparative honesty. It was in the reign of George III, so testifies Lord Stanhope, that the beautiful young Duchess of Devonshire purchased the vote of an impracticable butcher by a kiss. Clever were the evasions of the loosely phrased laws then in force against bribery. Brinsley Sheridan was apparently "so fond of peas during his successful contest of Hafford" that he bought them from a desirable voter at £2 12s. 6d. per quart. Half a century later a candidate of Sudbury "purchased from a greengroces who vote in the constituency, two cabbages for f10, and a plate of gooseberries for f25. He paid the butcher, the grocer, the baker, the tailor, the printer, the billsticker, on equally liberal terms." One could quote from Mr. Macdonagh's volume many a sketch of electioneering in the days of the Rotten Boroughs that would be as good as these. But perhaps the est of them is that of Mr. McLeod Bannatine in the County of Bute. Scotland. Apparently he included in his own person the whole constituency. The writ of election was transmitted to him as Sheriff.

him as Sheriff.

He named the day of nomination and issued his precept for the election. On the day of nomination Mr. Bannatine was the only free-holder qualified to be present. He accordingly took the chair and went through all the prescribed forms. As Sheriff, he produced the writ of election, read the writ and the oaths against bribery at elections. As Sheriff he administered the oath of allegiance, su, remacy and abjuration to himself as chairman. He signed the oaths as chairman and Sheriff. As chairman he named himself as clerk to the meeting, and as clerk he called over the roll of freeholders, he named himself as clerk to the meeting, and as clerk he called over the roll of freeholders, which contained only his own name. He then proposed himself as candidate, seconded his own nomination, and, as there was no opposition, declared himself duly elected. He dictated and signed the minutes of election as chairman, and as Sheriff he transmitted the return to the writ to the Crown Office at Westminster.

Not a little of Mr. Macdonagh's liveliness of due to his readiness to see the humorside of life. His own humor, though always ood-natured, is masculine and aggressive. He ebery's polished phrases or the clumsy of some practical joker in the lobbies, enjoys both sorts indiscriminately. The Poloniuses that find their way into Parliament, merry jes's, which he succeeds in telling with broad but effective strokes of wit. Such an inspirer of irreverence was the old and eccentric gentleman who "vainly endeavored during half a century of Parliamentary life to get passed into law a bill for preventing persons from standing outside windows while cleaning them. During his last session the poor old gentleman is said to have complained to a colleague that his object in introducing the bill had been quite misunderstood by the House for these fifty years. I introduced the bill, said he, "not for the sake of the people below, on whom they might fall. The idea of the bill was suggested to me."

dicato" and of the "Coates Syndicate," but if there are any people in Omaha to-night who have an idea of bidding over the price to be paid by the Reorganization Committee, it would require the lens of the Yerkes telescope to locate them. For all that, however, if a voice murnurs "fifty-eight millions and one cent" after Winslow S. Pierce has said, "Fifty-eight millions," a tidal wave of heart disease will sweep through that freighthouse. Master in Chancery W. D. Cornish has but one check guaranteeing a bid, and that is the deposit of the committee.

All, or nearly all, of the members of the committee who are to attend the sale arrived this morning. Those who came in this morning are Alexander Hiller, of Boston, secretary of the Union Pacific; Receivers J. W. Doane, E. Ellery and they are astonishingly many, furnish him fall. The idea of the bill was suggested to me by the fear that a window-cleaner might fall

Much of the author's gossip and anecdote can be found by the curious in books and periodicals of the past; some of it. even, is measurably familiar; there is a residue, however, that is original from his hands. One cannot read between the lines without surmising that the author is most at home in the reporters' galleries and in the lobby of the House. At least, it is from these points of view that he draws his freshest and most significant pictures. A more this manner: advantageous point of view could hardly be chosen. The fact that such decorous peers as Lord Salisbury and Lord Rosebery, when in the upper house, always address their speeches in "loud, deliberate and distinct tones" toward the gallery of reporters will have for the reader

ing, a special account of the proceedings of the House of Commons the night before, from the

'Leader of the House.' " In these daily reports Palmerston and Disraell In these daily reports Palmerston and Disraell sent pletorial sketches of scenes and incidents enacted in the House during the night, and indulged in luminous and critical comment on the speeches and personal peculiarities of members who took part in the debates. Mr. Gladstone often began his report early in the sitting, added to it as opportunity offered during the evening, and finally he would read it over carefully, dotting its "Is" and crossing its "Is" before dispatching it to the Queen at the rising of the House. Seated on The Treasury Bench, with a blotting pad placed on his knee as a desk or support, the Old Man wrote the letter on the quarto notepaper of the House, with any quill pen he might casually pick up from the table. He invariably filled the four sides of this large sheet of notepaper, and on ocany quill pen he might casually pick up from the table. He invariably filled the four sides of this large sheet of notepaper, and on occasions of extraordinary interest the record often covered two sheets. When interrupted in its composition in order to answer a question or give a prompt denial to some statement made in the course of a speech of a Right Hon, gentleman at the other side of the table, he always retained possession of the document while on his feet, and he also carried it with him into the lobby in the case of a division, returning to its preparation again the moment he was able to resume his seat on the Treasury Bench.

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Anecdote of this sort is the stuff of which "The Book of Parliament" is composed, but it

is stuff shaped to a definite end, the explanation of the forms, the traditions, the ceremonies the methods, the accepted machinery of English political life.

ALL TO HELP MURPHY.

OBJECT OF THE DEMOCRATIC CANVASS IN THIS STATE.

THE DESIRE OF THE PARTY LEADERS IS TO CUT

Assemblymen. Yet many of these Assemblymen again in 1898, and, therefore, are likely to vote for

been watching keenly the contests in the Assembly districts, hoping for Democratic gains. He desires, of course, to be his own successor as Senator, and e has used his great influence to induce Democratic State Committee to exert itself in the election of Democratic Assemblymen. Elliot Danforth, chairman of the Democratic State Com-mittee, is beginning to talk about making large Democratic gains in the Assembly.

the present Assembly there are 114 "regular" Republicans, 1 independent Republican (Frederick A. Robbins, of Allegany County), and 25 Democrats. Of the Republican 115, there are 13 from New-York, 14 from Brooklyn, 2 from Queens County and 1

14 from Brooklyn, 2 from Queens County and 1 from Richmond County. Here are 30 from the Greater New-York district and 85 from the districts north of the Harlem River.

There was such a tidal wave last year that the Republican party cannot hope again to elect as many Assemblymen, but there is every indication that it will have a large majority. The Democratic leaders are hoping especially to make gains in New-York, and think they will be able to reduce the Republican representation in the Greater New-York district to 22.

In the interior of the State Mr. Danforth and Senator Murphy are seeking to gain the countles of Allegany, Chemung, Clinton, Cortland, Schenedtady and Warren, one seat in Broome, two in Erle, one in Albany, one in Oneida, three in Onondaga, one in Monroe and one in Niagara, eixteen in all. Senator Murphy is also attempting to win away from the Republicans one Assemblyman in Rensselver County.

er County.

James M. E. O'Grady, Speaker of the Assembly, as been renominated in Monroe County, and the qualificant leader in the Assembly, S. Fred Nixon, Chautauqua County, is also running again. Two the ablest Republicans in the Assembly, Freder, A. Robbins and William Cary Sanger, were trenominated because of the Independent course by have taken.

of the ablest Republicans in the Assembly, Frederick A Robbins and William Cury Sanger, were not renominated because of the independent course they have taken.

The Democrats will not have any man of real merit to put at the head of their party in the Assembly. Their leader of this year, Daniel E. Finn, has been renominated, but he cannot be said to lend any strength to the party's representation.

COATES SYNDICATE AGAIN

THE LONDON FIRM CABLES TO THE PRESIDENT.

SUGGESTING THAT THE AUCTION SALE OF THE UNION PACIFIC BE POSTPONED TILL

DECEMBER 18.

London, Oct. 31.-The firm of Coates, Son & Co., who recently undertook the formation of a syndicate for the purchase of the Union Pacific full for the Government claims on the main line and the Kansas Division if the Government will secure a postponement of both sales to December 15 next, yesterday sent a cable message to President McKinley suggesting that the United States Government should secure the postpone-ment of the sale until that date.

THE SALE IN OMAHA TO-DAY. OFFICIALS OF THE UNION PACIFIC AND OTHERS

Omaha, Neb., Oct. 31.-At 11 o'clock to-morrow morning, down in a dingy freighthouse on the Omaha flats, there will be a financial transaction that will be a record-breaker. It will be the largest ready to enjoy a joke, whether it be one of auction sale of which history makes mention.

About \$58,00,000 will be paid by the Reorganization of other bidders, and all sorts of stories have been

Union Pacific; Receivers J. W. Doane, E. Ellery Anderson and Oliver W. Mink; General Louis Fitzgerald, and Winslow S. Pierce, the attorney for the committee, also arrived. John Sheridan, of Maryland, one of the Government directors of the road, came to-day, and General Solicitor Kelly, of the Union Pacific, hurried home to Omaha from St. Paul to be present at the sale. Among others who will be there are Senator John M. Thurston, Gen-eral John C. Cowan, of Omaha, the Government attorney in this case; Judge Sanborn, of St. Paul and all the prominent officials of the Union Pa-

the in Omaha.

the road is to be sold under the foreclosure of the lien of the Government of the United States. He will then read a description of the road, giving the mileage, number of cars, locomotives, buildings the gallery of reporters will have for the reader an illuminating force. It is pre-eminently from these points of view that political life becomes spectacular, the houses of Parliament a stage and all the great and little there mere actors. It is just here that the author's work differs from the recollections of the House of Commons which recently appeared from the pen of the late William White. Both have dealt with human phases of their subject, but Mr. White's book, in its somewhat staid fashion, deals with what is vital; Mr. Macdonagh, far more picturesquely, deals chiefly with what is casual. He describes not so much the essential characteristics of the British Constitution as its eccentric surface, the angles and protuberances against which the inexperienced politician breaks his shin. When he turns to individual statesmen he describes not their habits of thought, but their habits of life, their unconscious tricks of speech and gesture, their looks and the sound of their voices.

Nowhere is Mr. Macdonagh more personal than in his chapter on the "Queen's Reporter."

"When Parliament is sitting," the author tells us, "the Queen receivers, morning after morning, a special account of the proceedings of the House of Commons the night before, from the House of Commons than in his chapter on the "Queen's Reporter."

"When Parliament is sitting," the author tells us, "the Queen receivers, morning after morning, a special account of the proceedings of the House of Commons the night before, from the House of Commons the night before had no knowledge of any competing bids that would he and other property in the possession of the receivers. This description is long, and will require

GERMANS INVENT A SMOKE-CONSUMER. Berlin, Oct. 31.-The firm of Kuhut & Deissler, of this city, has patented a simple smeke-consumer, consisting of a fireclay plate to be inserted in the furnace, which is said to effect a complete combustion of smoke and to average a saving of 20 per cent in fuel. An ordinary fireman is able to replace Its cost is 400 marks. Experts declare that it it. Its cost is 400 marks. Experts declare that it will revolutionize the system of heating by coal. It is reported from Kiel that tharough tests of the invention have been made at the navy yards there, with the result that the Government has ordered the application of the smoke-consumer to all the bollers in use in the navy, and is negotiating with the inventors for the sole right to use it on steamers.

Lieutenant Niblack, Naval Attaché of the United States Embassy, has sent a report to Washington recommending the adoption of the invention in the United States Embassy has sent a similar recommendation to Peking.

HIS MISTAKE. From The Chicago Post.

tion to Peking.

When Old Subscriber wandered in and laid his communication on the desk the editor looked over it hastily and then looked up at the veteran. "You've made a mistake," said the editor. "What?" asked Old Subscriber. "The paper mills haven't shut down." "What do you mean?" "Why, there's no necessity of writing four hundred words to a page and then using both sides of the sheet."

CLERGYMEN TO VOTERS. NON-PARTISANSHIP URGED IN SEVERAL

PULPITS. SERMONS ON THE MUNICIPAL CONTEST BY THE

REV. DRS. NEWTON, DIXON, SAVAGE AND

OTHERS-TRIBUTES TO HENRY GEORGE. of the people against the bosses was outlined in numerous pulpits in this city yesterday. The clergymen who discussed the municipal struggle all urged the necessity of choosing officials who would be responsible to the people, and not to any political machines. Nearly all had something to say about the death of Henry George, and paid high tributes to his memory. the preachers on public affairs were the Rev. Drs. R. Heber Newton, Thomas Dixon, jr., Henry A. Stimson, C. De W. Bridgman and M.

DR. DIXON FOR LOW AFTER GEORGE. HE URGES FOLLOWERS OF THE DEPARTED LEADER TO ACCEPT THE CITIZENS

CANDIDATE.

congregation in the Academy of Music yesterday morning. The service was in memory of Henry whom Dr. Dixon was an earnest sup porter. The preacher announced his intention to vote for Seth Low, and urged all the supporters of the dead leader so to vote.

Before Dr. Dixon began his sermon he introduced W. J. Atkinson, a son-in-law of Mr. George, as bearing a message from the George family Mr. Atkinson spoke feelingly of Mr. George's life

false leadership that for a generation has basely betrayed the Democracy of this city for ignoble ends.

He declared repeatedly that he could accept defeat for himself if through his candidacy he could com-

precisely this immediate purpose that led Henry reg into this life and death struggle; therefore terms to me now the immediate duty of those of who stood for Henry George to press forward carry out that purpose.

us who stood for Henry George to press forward and carry out that purpose. How can we best carry it out? The logic of the situation is inevitable. The only man now in the field who can defeat Tammany Hall is Seth Low. (Great applause.) I believe it is our duty to vote for him. You know my views on the Chitzens Union and its methods. I have not changed those views. Against its managers, whose hot-headed folly has made a union against Tammany impossible. I hold the deepest resemment. But I have no right to cherish resemment if that feeling imperil the best interests of the city. It is my duty to bury those feelings and vote for Mr. Low, and I am going to do so. If one half the followers of Henry George will throw their power to Mr. Low, it will elect him. It is our solemn duty to the city and to the memory of the fallen here to do this. Let us forget the past and bravely do this duty, whatever be our personal feelings.

preached a sermon on "Henry George's Glorious his text from I Corinthians, xv.

THE CHOICE WHICH IS PRESENTED TO VOTERS

Lenox-ave. and One-hundred-and-twenty-second-st., on St. Matthew vt., 10, "Thy Kingdom come,"

st., on St. Matthew vi. 10, "Thy Kingdom come," the Rev. Dr. Charles DeW. Bridgman said:

And there are times when it is not individual life, but the life of communities and of States, that we have to do with in our zeal for the Kingdom; times when the spiritual power of the Kingdom; times when the spiritual power of the Kingdom of God is to be demonstrated in withstanding the assaults of the banded forces of evil, and in the defence and establishment of that which is righteous and good; times of crisis they are, when men must decide, as in God's presence, on which side they shall stand. Such a crisis confronts us to-day. It is a time of impressive and subduling solemnity. The character of the government of this immense city, affecting as it must very deeply the life and the character of the people, is to be determined for years by the decision which shall come from the ballot-boxes this week. The question is sharply defined and unmistakably clear.

After all the confusing voices of oratory and of the press, it still remains as it was at the outset—a question not of National policy, but of municipal government; not of party, but of ethical principle; a question, in short, whether those who once made the name of this city a synonyme of corruption and the reproach of the Nation shall be brought back in triumph and endowed with a mightier power.

Foul or good government is the Issue we face. The partisan or the patriot; the man who represents those who deery all attempts at reform, or the man who is piedged, not by work only, but by his whole life, to serve the welfare of this people—these are the figures that stand in your sight appealing for favor. Between them your choice lies. As God-fearing men, as those on whom rests the solemn responsibility of determining in your measure what the destiny of this mighty city shall be with its three millions of people—whom will you choose?

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THE ETHICAL ISSUES.

DR. NEWTON'S VIEW OF THE SITUATION—A TRIBUTE TO MR. GEORGE.

The Rev. R. Heber Newton preached at All Souls Church, Madison—ave, and Sixty—sixth—st., yesterday on the subject. The Ethical Issues Before the City." He said in part:

The Issue before the city is the question whether our citizens reprobate dishonor and dishoneyts, whether they desire honor in the government and honesty in its administration. It is the question whether to the duity given it to duscharge loyally, faithfully, considerable, to other work and output to the duity given it to duscharge loyally, faithfully, considerable to other and ulterlor all the poor afterward. I would have the poor from soldery, absence of rines and city freedom from jobbery, absence of rines and city freedom from jobbery, absence of rines and city and the content of corporation raises—an issue which is as wide as the Nation and as vital as the life of conscience. Tishnor and dishonesty is the administration of our big business, and issue which the administration of our big business, and issue which the administration of our big business, and issue which the administration of our big business, the fundamental necessity for a business of the said of the Nation and as vital as the life of conscience. Tishnor and dishonesty is the administration of our big business, which is threatening the very vitals of the Nation Everywhere we see the legitimate work of the corporation raises—an issue which the river was a considered and and and any of a conscience. Tishnor and dishonesty is the administration of our city comparison of power and have come to control the affairs of our city have thrown over the interview of the city. Are you asserting the results of the comparison of power and have come to control the affairs of our city have thrown over the interview of the city. Are you asserting the right of the first of the comparison of power and have come to control the administration of our city compa

tive claims of your Nation and of your city so as not to sacrifice one to the other?

The tragedy which has befailen our city within the last few hours ought to decide the issues in the heart of every honest man. A great-minded, noble-heart of every honest man. Conscious of his physical ties, to the city's honor. Conscious of his physical ties, to the city's honor. Conscious of his physical ties, to the city's honor. Conscious of his physical ties, to the city's honor. Conscious of his physical ties, to the city's honor. Conscious of his physical ties, to the city's honor. Conscious of his physical ties, to the city's honor. Conscious of his physical ties, to the city's honor. Conscious of his physical ties, to the city's honor. Conscious of his physical ties, to the city's honor. Conscious of his physical ties, to the city's honor. Conscious of his physical ties, to the city's honor. Conscious of his physical ties, to the city's honor. Conscious of his physical ties, to the city's liberated man has fallen a martyr to the city's liberated man has fallen a martyr to the city's liberated man has fallen a martyr to the city's liberated man has fallen a martyr to the city's liberated man has fallen a martyr to the city's liberated man has fallen a martyr to the city's liberated man has fallen a martyr to the city's liberated man has fallen a martyr to the city's liberated man has fallen a martyr to the city's liberated man has fallen a martyr to the city's liberated man has fallen a martyr to the city silver in the first of a great faght for the people with mind a great faght for the people with mind a great fight for the people with mind for it.

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VIEWS OF COLORED CLERGYMEN. SEVERAL OF THEM TELL WHY THEY FAVOR MR. LOW'S SUCCESS.

Several colored ministers of the city of New-York yesterday expressed themselves briefly as to rea-sons for their support of Seth Low. The Rev. E. G. Clifton, of St. David's Chapel, No. 611 East Onenundred-and-fifty-eighth-st., said: "Mr. Low is the strongest and greatest candidate

shall continue to enjoy peace and prosperity, and shall have continual success in all branches of The Rev. Granville Hunt, of Antioch Church, said: "I read in Proverbs, xxix, 1, 2, 'He The Rev. George H. Simmons, of Zion Methodist

slave masters are past; this is the day of freedom.

THE CITIZENS' DUTY CLEAR DR. STIMSON ON THE RESPONSIBILITY TO FREE

Duty." His text was Eather iii, 15 "The King and Haman sat down to drink, and the city Shushan

honesty and economy becoming a reality, and public office ceasing to be a "brivate snap," what need of distrusting the power of the people to manner their own affairs, untrammelled with the political machinery of the Nation, or the guidance of political machinery of the Nation, or the guidance of political from "bleage or Nebraska?" Therefore, finally, if there is no reason for perplexity, every man ought to realize that he is called to one of the most solemn duties of his life. The decision affects the welfare of three millions of people. You need knowledge of the facts, clear vision of the situation and the courage of your convictions. I am not to fell you how to vote to secure the ends we all desire. But let no subserviency to prejudice or tradition, no feeble plea of consistency, no partisan emotion, however noble in its arisin and impulse, divert your attention from the responsibility which reals upon every one of you to deliver the city from bosses and hossism once for all.

MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS FIRST. DR. SAVAGE SAYS THEY SHOULD COME BEFORE

delivered yesterday by the Rev. Dr. Minot J. Sav-age in the Church of the Messiah, at Park-ave, and Thirty-fourth-st. In the course of his remarks he referred briefly to the death of Henry George. He said that the dead single-tax advocate was a man who, through his whole life, consecrated himself to

who, through his welfare of the people.

"We need to devote ourselves in coming years."
he went on, "to making this city a city of health,
I get impatient when I hear people talking about
divine destination and the hand of Providence. Providence has nothing to do with it. They go on breaking the laws of God for weeks and years, and still men talk about destiny when it is only the result of what they have done. I think that last year this was the cleanest city in the world, not

An account of Dr. Semon's exhaustive study of the natural history of this strangely isolated continent, of especial interest because of the occurrence there of living specimens of mammals, birds, fishes, and reptiles, which are found elsewhere only as forsils.

THE BRITISH ASSOCIATION AT TORONTO. Prof. D. S. MARTIN.

A general account of this important event, including descriptions of the personalities of some of the many flustrons men who attended, and a comparison of the one of this gathering of scientists and that of our own cientific association.

PRINCIPLES OF TAXATION.-THE EXIST-ING METHODS OF TAXATION. Hon. DAVID A. WELLS.

Consists mainly of a consideration of the history and present status of the taxation of personal property, show-ing the way in which it encourages crime, and in the end defeats its own purpose. ARCHÆOLOGY AND THE ANTIQUITY OF

MAN. Sir J. EVANS, President B. A. A. S. for 1897-'98.

His address at the Toronto meeting of the British As-ociation for the Advancement of Science. A strong pre-ntation of the claims of archanology as an exact science, and a brief inquiry into the antiquity of man on the AN EXPERIMENT IN CITIZEN TRAINING.

WINIFRED BUCK.

A description of what is known as "Junior Good Gov-ernment Cith," No. 1, which has now been in existence about four years and offers some instructive results for the social economist. Other articles: The Racial Geography of Europe X.

Germany: Expert Testiminy in the Bering-Sea Con-troversy; Burs and Beggar's Ticks; Natural and Artificial Perfumes, Sketch of Carl Vogt (with Purirait). Editor's Table; Scientific Literature; Fragments of

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